

Molecular Epidemiology of Noroviruses

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It is estimated that noroviruses cause 23 million cases of acute gastroenteritis and approximately 50% of all foodborne gastroenteritis outbreaks. This presentation will cover detection methods, epidemiology and outbreak investigations of noroviruses.

Speaker

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Objectives

Upon completion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Describe the epidemiology of viral gastroenteritis and the role of noroviruses
- Compare and contrast the methods of detection and characterization of noroviruses
- Discuss the future direction of norovirus investigation